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Second follow-up of Case IND/TMP 230896

The International Secretariat of OMCT has received new information on the following situation in Indonesia/East Timor.

Brief reminder of the situation :

The International Secretariat was informed, by reliable sources, of the arrest of **Bernadinho Magalhaes, Abilio Soars, Felipe Alberto, Paulo Alberto, Alberto** (no surname) on 14 July 1996 and **Miguel Maia Mau Soco, and Pedro Borges** on 22 July 1996. They were detained for approximately two weeks by members of military battalion "Lino 700". Furthermore, on 15 July when the Indonesian military conducted house to house raids following a fire at the Gleno market, the following persons were arrested: **Matias da Cunha, 28, Delfonso de Deus, 16, Adolfo Madeira, Bento Martins, 27, Helder Martins, 26, Hermano Martins, 16, Joao, 14, Jacinto Soares, 26, Luis Tilma, 19, Mateus Tilma, 27.**

Sebastiao Lelo Ati, 19 and **Joao Lelo Beli**, were also both arrested and tortured on 14 July. However their present whereabouts was at that time unconfirmed as also the details of the arrest of **Julio Martins** and **Abilio Xavier**

Furthermore, OMCT was informed of the disappearance after the Gleno market fire of **Ildefonso de Deus dos Santos**, who is also known as **Maudino**

New information:

The International Secretariat has received new information on **Ildefonso de Deus dos Santos**, who has not been seen since he disappeared in July 1996 and that he is still missing.

According to the information received, **Ildefonso de Deus dos Santos**, a 17 year old student disappeared on 14 July 1996 in Gleno in the Ermera district of East Timor during the house to house raids conducted by the Indonesian soldiers following a fire at the Gleno market. It is believed that he has either been arbitrary detained or killed. The information further states that according to his family, **Ildefonso de Deus dos Santos** is innocent and was not involved either in the fire or any clandestine activities.

The Indonesian authorities are reported to have claimed in November 1996, that **Ildefonso de Deus dos Santos** was not detained but that he was "free, fit and well". It is believed that local authorities in Ermera have not responded to his family's regular appeals for help.

The International Secretariat has not received any new information about the above-mentioned persons arrested.

Action requested :

Please contact the Indonesian authorities urging them to :

- i. immediately locate the whereabouts of **Ildefonso de Deus dos Santos** and take the necessary measures to guarantee his physical and psychological integrity.
- ii. order the immediate release of **Ildefonso de Deus dos Santos** if he is being held without valid charges or, if such charges exist, bring him before a competent and impartial tribunal and guarantee his procedural rights at all times;

- iii. order the immediate release of all persons detained, if they are being held without valid charges or, if such charges exist, bring them before a competent and impartial tribunal and guarantee their procedural rights at all times;
- iv. open an exhaustive and impartial enquiry into the alleged illegal detentions and the practice of torture, identify those responsible, bring them to trial and apply the civil, penal and/or administrative sanctions provided by the law;
- v. ensure in all circumstances respect for human rights and fundamental freedoms in accordance with national laws and international standards.

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The Indonesian diplomatic representatives in your country.

Geneva, 22 April 1997.

Kindly inform us of any action taken quoting the exact code of this appeal in your reply.